



## **Regional Service Council Minutes Region # 4**

**Meeting Date:** August 14, 2006

**Meeting Location:** Allen Co. DCS

**Council Members Present:** Steve Scott, Jan Lung, Judge Pratt, Sheila Romano, Jan Vogleman.

**Council Members Absent:** Rex McFarren, Judge Heuer, Judge Kramer, Mary Southern, Kim Wilson, Dave Judkins.

**Others In Attendance:** Liz Learned, Michelle Savieo, Whites Institute, Wernle Childrens Home

### **Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Called to Order at:** 4:15 pm

1. Minutes from the June 12, 2006 meeting were read and accepted.
2. The Newsletter from Director Payne was passed out and discussed.
3. The idea of the Regional Option for Early Intervention Plan was presented and discussed. It was noted that there are funds available to help in the writing of this regional plan. It was believed that it would be difficult to write a plan for this region given the number of counties in the region. There was discussion that there was a great difference between the counties, size being the first major obstacle.
4. Voluntary Services Phase Down was discussed. Dave has asked all Directors to provide him numbers on the services that are being delivered and a plan to complete those services by the end of the year. There was discussion on how many of these services would be accounted for in some other way since they are necessary types of programs; post adoption, home studies and probation cases, to name a few.
5. There was discussion of the RSC Protocol and the role of the RSC to review new MOA's. There was also discussion on tracking CWS Fund expenditures under \$1000 to determine if patterns emerge that can be addressed by the RSC. Allen County Director, Michelle Savio presented her county's Early Intervention Plan for RSC approval. It was discussed and it was accepted by the Council.

6. The Council was updated on Community Partners. Word from SCAN is that the program will be ready for a November 1 start. Projected dollars average out so that Allen County will be allotted about 95 slots and the remaining counties will get about 28-35 each. SCAN will be at the next meeting to further discuss the program.
7. Information was offered that there are new sex offenders treatment service standards available for providers interested in starting such a program.
8. It was presented to the council that DCS has been hiring new staff and this has created a space issue in many offices. Directors are looking at ways to relieve the space issue.

**Next Meeting Date, Location and Time:** The next meeting is set for 9-11-06 at the Noble Co. DCS at 4:00pm

**Meeting Adjourned at:** 5:15pm

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Scott